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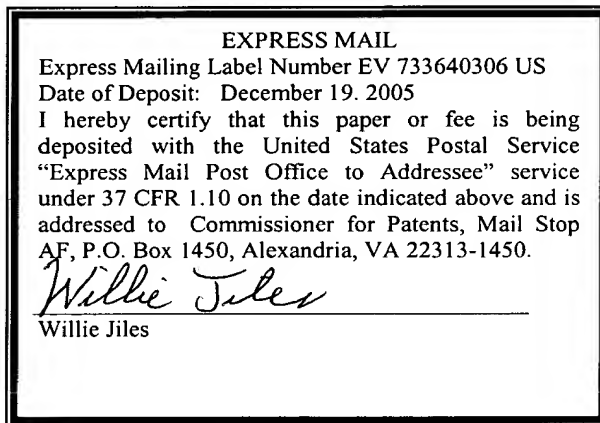
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Niranjana Tripathy, et al.
Serial No.: 09/580,516
Filing Date: May 25, 2000
Group Art Unit: 2145
Examiner: Melvin H. Pollack
Title: **ELEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITH
AUTOMATIC REMOTE BACKUP OF NETWORK
ELEMENTS LOCAL STORAGE**

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Notice of Appeal

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner mailed on August 19, 2005 finally rejecting Claims 1-21 (all claims pending in this application). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b), enclosed is a check in the amount of \$500.00 for filing this Notice of Appeal. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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